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BIGELOW IMPORTUNED TO LET WORK CONTINUE

Council Adopts Resolution in Matter of State Road

IS IN BAD SHAPE NOW

Highway Not in Condition for Winter--Treasurers Report Shows Balance

State Highway Commissioner Edward M. Bigelow will be importuned by Charleroi council to allow work on the construction of sections of State Highway route No. 112 running through Charleroi to be continued. At the regular meeting of council Tuesday night Borough Clerk Ira L. Nickeson was instructed by council to write to Mr. Bigelow, telling him the good condition of the weather here now and describing the condition in which the road is. The main stretch desired to be put in shape before the bad weather of winter sets in is that out Lincoln avenue extension.

It is the opinion of council that Mr. Bigelow ordered the work stopped because of the approaching winter, considering the weather was not such as would permit the construction of the road to go ahead.

President W. R. Gaut was unable to be present and his place in the chair was assumed by W. H. Calvert.

Tax Collector J. W. Mathias had in his report for two months. The amount turned over to the treasurer for September and October was $2,235.09.

Borough Treasurer T. R. Eagye submitted his report which is summarized as follows:

Balance from last report	$10,683.30
Receipts	1,385.80
Total	$12,069.10
Disbursements	8,812.11
Balance in treasury	$ 3,156.99

Burgess George W. Risbeck made a report that during November there had been 61 arrests made, and fines and costs assessed totaling $132.35. Of this amount $114.35 was paid, the balance being served out by odenders.

Daniel Gottheld sought permission to construct a driveway into a stable on McKean avenue. William Gelder was present to discuss the matter of a property line on Crest avenue.

DONORA BOARD OF TRADE TO ENTERTAIN

Secretary G. W. Dudderar of the Washington Board of Trade, will be the chief speaker at the annual banquet of the Donora Chamber of Commerce, which will be held in a Donora hostelry this evening. Attorney R. W. Irwin of Washington is also scheduled to make an address.

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Is Tri Cities' Company Now

Name of Water Company is Changed to Suit Desires of Dustomers

Henceforth the water company supplying the boroughs of Charleroi, Monessen and Donora with water will be known as the Tri 'Cities' Water company. The name since the middle part of August, when a deal was consummated by the Charleroi Water company for the purchase of the Donora and Monessen concerns, has been "The Monessen Water company." There were objections to such title locally, so the new name was decided upon with a view of pleasing all concerned.

BOULDER HOLDS UP MANAGER

Railroad Official Bows Submissive to Law of Nature

ROCK HITS FREIGHT CAR

General Manager R. L. O'Donnell of the Pennsylvania Railroad and a company of fellow officials had it thoroughly demonstrated to them Tuesday afternoon that while their corporation can make mountains look like molehills and seemingly impregnable rock walls like a pile of pebbles, it still has to be subservient to the law of nature, from which there is no appeal. The demonstration was given to their great annoyance, just as they were coming south from Pittsburg on an inspection tour of the Monongahela division. The scene of the production was th railroad tracks a short distance this side of Bamford. The principal properties were a freight train and a huge boulder.

The action was magnificent. The boulder, which perhaps for centuries has been maintaining a position of easy repose on the hillside above the railroad, suddenly became endowed with life and tore its crooked path down the steep slope. Fate would have it that a freight train should be passing at the time. The result may be imagined. The huge rock dashed against a big hopper car and ripped it from its trucks, hurling the heavy steel frame across the north bound track, and completely blocking the right of way.

General Manager O'Donnell's train was a short ways behind the freight when the accident happened and he and his company of officials had to wait from shortly after 2 o'clock until 5 to get past. Likewise two passenger trains were held up, one on this end and one on the other end.

PRECAUTIONS TAKEN TO PREVENT DISEASE

Three Cases of Diptheria Reported From School Room--Borough Was Free From Contagious Diseases Week Ago

From an altogether admirable condition of health less than a week ago, the borough of Charleroi has advanced to the place where the greatest precaution of the health authorities is necessary to prevent an epidemic of one of the most dreaded of diseases that of diphtheria. On Thanksgiving a report was made upon behalf of the Board of Health at the union Thanksgiving service that the town was entirely free from contagious diseases. Today there are three cases of diphtheria.

The cases of diphtheria all developed from room No. 5, of the Second street school building, and have all been reported since Saturday. Those ill from the disease are Miss Mildred Lowstutter, the teacher of the room, a son of Joseph Lichter, of Fallowfield avenue and a son of Samuel Michener of Lookout avenue, pupils in the room.

As soon as the diptheria cases were reported room No. 5 and an adjoining room were closed down, and thoroughly fumigated by Health Officer William Darby. The precaution has been taken of quarantining certain homes for a period of ten days where the children have been exposed in any way to the disease.

How the diphtheria spread is a question. It has been fully a month since there was any contagious disease in thet own. It is thought by some of the health authorities that some foreign child of room No. 5 had allowed himself to be exposed to the disease and then to have gone to school.

TEACHERS ATTENDING MONESSEN INSTITUTE

Local Schools Closed Down for Afternoon--Well Known Educators Speak on Interesting School Topics

The Charleroi schools closed down this afternoon and the teachers are at Monessen attending the first annual institute being held by the teachers of that place. The Rostraver township schools from the vicinity of Monessen are also closed permitting the teachers to attend the institute.

This morning Dr. F. H. Green professor of English at the West Chester Normal School at West Chester and Dr. T. F. Lowden of the Ohio State University at Columbus spoke. This afternoon the same two men will speak, the former subject being "Well Disarmed." on "Knowing an Author's life," and the latter on "Effective Teaching of History." Dr. Edwin E. Sparks, head of Pennsylvania State College will make his first appearance this afternoon and deliver an address.

Tonight ex-Gov. J. Frank Hanley, of Indiana, will deliver his second address before the institute body, his "The Neapolitans" appeared in a concert Tuesday night before a crowded house.

TIES HANDS OF WOMAN THEN ROBS HER OF SAVINGS

After tying her hands behind her back a bold robber took from Mrs. William Rockeye of Pine Flats near Arella Tuesday morning $650 and made his escape. Bloodhounds are on thet rail of the thief and it is believed that he will be rounded up

Clerks Wanted.

Experienced clerks wanted for several departments, a good opportunity for willing workers. Apply in person to Kirk and Clark. 113-t2

SATURDAY NIGHT DANCE
MIGHT'S AUDITORIUM.

Charley Oldham of Nirella's Orchestra Pittsburg will sing all the latest song hits. Comes highly recommended. Don't miss hearing him 111-t

The Ladies of the Washington Avenue Presbyterian Church will hold a Bazaar in the basement of the church Thursday evening, Dec. 5th and Friday and Saturday afternoon and evenings, Dec. 6th and 7th. Also a market consisting of home-made pasteries and candies. 109-t8

PROGRAM AT THE STAR THEATRE

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112-t5

Notice.

Until further notice the dances Tuesday night in the City hall at North Charleroi have been discontinued.

L. P. Honsaker. 112-t1p

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LEGISLATURE TO BE REALLY PROGRESSIVE

Republican Spent More

Walker's Account Shows $195 Disbursement and Carson's $72

James W. Walker, Republican candidate for assemblyman, spent $195.28 in his campaign. Of this amount he gave $150 to James Eagleson, treasurer of the Republican county committee. The balance was spent for printing, hotel and traveling expenses.

Cornelius Carson, the Democratic candidate for assemblyman and one of the successful candidates spent $72.81. Of this amount he gave $10 to the Democratic headquarters a t Washington and $2 to the headquarters at Monongahela. The balance was spent in printing and advertising.

QUESTION OF CLUB UP HERE

Evidence Against Lithuanian Society is Presented

MIXUP IN CHARTER?

County Detective William McCleary was present Tuesday night at a hearing given Mike Russell, a Lithuanian and about a dozen of his countryment, by Burgess George W. Risbeck. The charge against the men was disorderly conduct, it having been reported there was a fight at Russell's place but one of the purposes of the hearing was to procure evidence regarding the alleged operation of a club on Oakland avenue, claimed to be a liquor club. The case is one similar to those which attracted the attention of the county authorities some time ago, and which resulted in a notable decision on the club selling of liquor b y Judge J. A. McIlvaine. What action County Detective McCleary will take is a question. The evidence against the club did not seem to be strong. It was stated that each man had a case of beer, and that if one member ran out o fdring the rules were such that he could buy or borrow from a brother-member, until such time as his store should be replenished. The charter however is said to have been for a Roscoe organization with the name scratched out and Charleroi substituted.

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Constructive Measures Listed for the Next Session

ONE IS THE INITIATIVE

Flinn to See to it That Billl With All Up-to-Date Trimmings is Presented

Unless all signs fail, there will be more constructive legislation at the coming session of the state legislature than at any time since Governor Pennypacker called his famous special session and gave to the people of the state the uniform primary law and a number of other progressive measures. When the Republican state convention met in Harrisburg last June, in addition to steam rollering the old outfit of politicians, it made seven specific pledges for progressive legislation. To see thatt hese pledges are carried out a committee was appointed to draft bills embodying these pledges. This committee has already drafted several tentative bills covering the various subjects, which are submitted to the public for discussion and criticism.

In addition to these pledges a number of other radical measures will be introduced for consideration. Among these will be the initiative, the referendum and the recall. This was not one of the specific pledges of the Republican platform, but it is well known that it is the decided sentiment of a majority of the voters of the state, who supported Col. Roosevelt, the great apostle of direct rule by the people. This matter is said to have been kept out by the influence of Mayor W. A. Magee of Pittsburg for political reasons, although William Flinn was in favor of it. The Democrats adopted the initiative and the referendum in their platform, but omitted the recall.

Now William Flinn, who left the Republican party to lead the Bull Moosers in the state, and who is the accepted leader of the Washington party, now the majority party of the state, announces that he proposes to see to it that the initiative, referendum and the recall will be introduced in the legislature this session.

"And don't be surprsed if they pass this time," announced Mr. Flinn for they passed the house at the last session and only lacked four votes in the senate."

In view of the great progressive sentiment that now prevails in the state, it is believed that the initiative and referendum will have no difficulty at all in passing both houses although the recall may be dropped for the time being, but it is clearly evident that it will only be a question of time before that, too, will be incorporated into the laws of the state.

Governor Tener's public utilities commission bill is one of the measures pledged by the commission, and it is expected to have easy sailing. Two years ago it was hung up, because it was offensive to the corporations it was designed to regulate. Other measures pledged are an employers' liability bill, a child labor bill, a bill regulating the employment of women, besides several others. Other progressive measures to be presentdd will be a mothers' pension law, wom-

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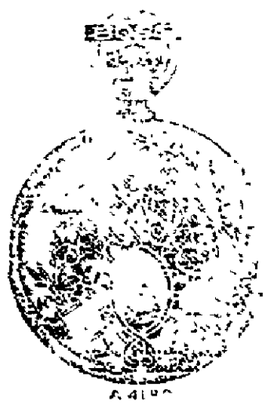

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INSTITUTIONAL VISITORS.

The recommendation of the State Federation of Women's Clubs for the appointment of capable women in every county to visit the jails, the almshouses, the children's homes and the hospitals at times they may see fit is perhaps one of the most needful forms of inspection that could be instituted. In spite of all the watchfulness and care that is supposed to be exercised in the conduct of these institutions grave abuses are constantly being brought to light, and the fact that the public is debarred from visitations except under conduct of officials at regularly stated interavls, gives ample opportunity for the abuses that exist in the most of these institutions. In our own country the conduct of the children's home under the previous administration was found to be exceedingly faulty, but had the public been admitted freely to the home, or had some of the women's societies been privileged to appoint visiting [illegible] freedom of the institution, these abuses would not have been tolerated for the length of [illegible]

Our jails, on the [illegible] houses and hospitals [illegible] enough, [illegible] are [illegible] Every [illegible] people [illegible] by [illegible] spend [illegible] Why [illegible] tions would be effected for the unfortunates that come [illegible] charge of the public.

SYSTEMATIC ROBBERY.

The statement of James Sweeney, state sealer of weights and measures, that in one-fourth of the state where inspections have been made, seventeen per cent of the weights and measures used are fraudulent, indicates the enormous extent that the people of the state are being systematically robbed. In greater Pittsburg alone, according to fairly accurate estimates of the sealer of weights and measures, the sum of $1,500,000 is fraudulently extracted from the people in the purchase of the necessities of life. This is startling to say the least.

Perhaps the most peculiar feature of the law governing the regulation of weights and measures is that it is optional with the counties, instead of being compulsory. So blunted is the public conception of the process of systematically cheating in trade that the law condones it. To be consistent the law should make it optional with every community whether or not it punishes murder, theft, burglary, rape, or any of the other heinous offenses.

The fact that this discrimination is made shows how far yet we have to go before the proper protection is afforded the public. According to the accepted code of morals at present the man who breaks into a residence or business place and steals is a criminal, but the one who purports to sell a certain amount of goods to poor people for a specified price and then steals a part of the product back is a shrewd business man. What the public is in need of most is to be educated to the fact that there is no essential difference between tweedledum andt weedledee.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

A Minneapolis pastor is arranging to have chorus girls dance some of those wicked dances in his church, just to show how bad they are. The elders had better prepare for an overflow crowd and reserve places for the bald-headed row.

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The only drawback about the proposed Blue Sky Law for Pennsylvania is that it coms too late to be of any benefit to Charleroi.

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Some of these dethroned politicians who lost their occupation by reason of the last election might get a job in parcel post [illegible] They would be of as much use to the public as they formerly were.

[illegible]
A [illegible] named [illegible]

[illegible] another month will elapse before the water bill is due.

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A New England minister says a couple can get married on $15 a week. In some places they can get the knot tied for $5.

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A Shenandoah boy was burned by a cup of coffee he spilled on himself. There is no use talking; coffee is unhealthy for children.

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Some men who sign verbal contracts draw verbal salaries.

Our Moving Picture Show

A minister's son was he,
But he showed at the age of three,
That he wanted to go
Where they have more dough.
And a magnate he thought he would be.

Watch this space tomorrow.

PICKED UP IN PASSING

As an illustration of the official sense of morality at some of our penal institutions which are designed to reform as well as punish criminals, a recent visitor to Charleroi tells the following story:

A shiftless colored boy in Alabama after being caught in a number of petty thefts, was sentenced to a term in the penitentiary, where he was set to learn a trade. He served his term wihch was a short one, and in his return home a white acquaintance who met him asked:

"Well, what did they put you at in the prison, Rastus?"

'Dey started in to make on ones' boy out'n me, sah."

"That's good, Rastus, I hope they succeeded."

"Dey did, sah."

"And how did they teach you to be honest?"

"Dey put me in de shoe shop, sah, nailin' pasteboard soles onto de shoes."

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When Edna Goodrich, who is playing at the Grand Theatre in Pittsburg this week, began her initial vaudeville engagement at the Palace in Chicago, her home town, her manager wired a New York newspaper this laconic message: "Big reception Went fine." Whereupon the newspaper printed this paragraph anent the recent appearance of the fair Edna at the Savoy in Atlantic City:

"A stage hand," he wrote, "during Miss Goodrich's act became so enraptured with the beautiful picture she presented as a living statue of Minerva in Claude Gillingwater's 'The Awakening of Minerva,' from the old Greek tale of Pygbalion and Galatea that he drew a long sigh and remarked to the property man in his picturesque vernacular:

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Election

The regular annual [illegible] stockholders of Bank [illegible] and continued and [illegible] of any of [illegible] before them, will be held on Thursday January 2nd, 1913 between the hours of 2 and 3 o'clock p. m. at its Banking House.

Kerfoot W. Daly.
Cashier.
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Charleroi Man Wins Prize.

George Koller of 219 Shady avenue was one of the prize winners in the recent poultry show at South side, Pittsburg. He entered a single comb Buff Orpington hen which he had bred, and won third prize.

MEETINGS TO CLOSE

Four Nights Yet of Evangelistic Services at Local Church

SERMONS ANNOUNCED

The special evangelistic services will close at the First Christian church, at the close of the Sunday evening service. There will be but four more services, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday evenings. Evangelist F. A. Bright will discuss the following subjects during the remainder of the meeting:

Wednesday evening—"Four Things That Save the Soul;" Thursday, "What Lack I Yet;" Friday, 'What Shall I Say at the Judgment;" Sunday, "Not Far From the Kingdom." A gospel song service by a large choir and chorus under the direction of Rev. E. N. Duty, preceeds the pretaching service each evening. A cordial welcome is extended to all to attend the remainder of these services.

Tuesday evening, December 10, Evangelist Bright will give a lecture on "The Land of Sacred Story," admission free. A silver orering will be taken. Rev. Bright has traveled extensively through the Holy Land and has a lecture that is not only entertaining but immensly instructive

The question box at the entrance to the church was full of helpful questions last evening, which were answered in a splendid way by the Evangelist. The sermon last night was on "Conversion." The theme was developed in such a simple way that a child could understand. There will be baptisms at the close of this evenings service.

AFFAIRS OF STATE TREATED BY TAFT IN HIS MESSAGE

President Taft's message to congress which assembled at the national capital yesterday, is being read today by local people who are interested. The message deals entirely with the state department, as President Taft has adopted the plan of dealing with the different branches of the executive department in separate messages, which he will present from time to time.

The features of this first message cover a wide range of international topics, the chief features of which are the extension of our foreign trade and commerce. Stress is also laid on what is termed the "dollar diplomacy," where the war-like attitudes of nations are substituted for business relations. While the rank and file of the people may not read this message closely, it is an important in that it is working along the lines of peace in the intercourse of nations instead of holding up our end in the war [illegible]

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[illegible] treats [illegible] Oxford [illegible] officers to confer [illegible] the honorary [illegible] degree of doctor of [illegible] the fees were heavy and [illegible] distinguished [illegible] in the wars declined [illegible] degree in the following [illegible]

[illegible] well.

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Mermaids

[illegible] are legends [illegible] The Chinese [illegible] women of the southern seas. Marco Polo is urged on the basis excellent evidence that a mermaid was captured at Barsur on the shores of the Red Sea in the sixth century, while another caught at Edam in 1403 was carried to Haarlem and kept there for many years.

Logical.

"John, dear, why are some women called Amazons?"

"Well, my dear, you remember our geographies said the Amazon has the largest mouth"—

But she went out and slammed the door before he could say any more.—London Mail.

Makes the Most of It.

"What sort of a chap is he?"

"Well, after a beggar has touched him for a dime he'll tell you he 'gave a little dinner to an acquaintance of his.'"—Lippincott's.

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About the time the Japanese or Siamese student at Harvard has come to know his way about the campus he has forgotten to prefix "honorable" to the names of professors, he remembers only dimly that he used to salaam to his elders, and he wears a cap with as careless grace and comfort as any other freshman.

If six weeks will make such transformation in the oriental six months will so change him that even his father would have difficulty in recognizing him at first glance. And he can say, "You get me, Harold, don't you, old boy?" and "Let's beat it!" as readily as though he were Boston born.

A tutor over in Cambridge takes oriental students in charge as soon as they arrive at the university and instructs them in the ways and means of acquiring a working knowledge of English. It makes no difference whether the youngsters had any education in the English language or not before they left home.

The Chinese or the Japanese student, the tutor says, is invariably quick, determined and eager to learn. Also, according to this tutor, he unlearns a lot of oriental things.—Boston Herald.

The Time Table.

The time table was invented in the days when the railways had so many faults that something had to be done to divert attention of the public.

The ordinary one road time table is confusing enough, but the sort that affect to offer information as to the running of trains on connecting lines are the ones that cause strong men to leap from the clutch of their keepers and race choo-chooing hither and yon.

You are going to take No. 8 from Oopsqush to Ippleding on the O. G. and N. B. You find that to do this you leave No. 8 at Gonsofar and connect with No. 32 on the P. L. and U. C. for Wibbleville, where you catch No. 17. The man who sells you the ticket makes this plain to you. But when you try to unravel the time card you discover that you are also governed by Note B and three or four references. At Wibbleville you learn that No. 17, according to Note G, runs only on Thursdays when it is raining and you will have to wait until 9:22 p. m. and take No. 13.

The simplest way to use a time table is to add the figures in any one column, divide the sum by the amount of your fare and stay at home.

Ignatius Donnelly cherished a theory that Bacon [illegible] the time tables. Chicago [illegible]

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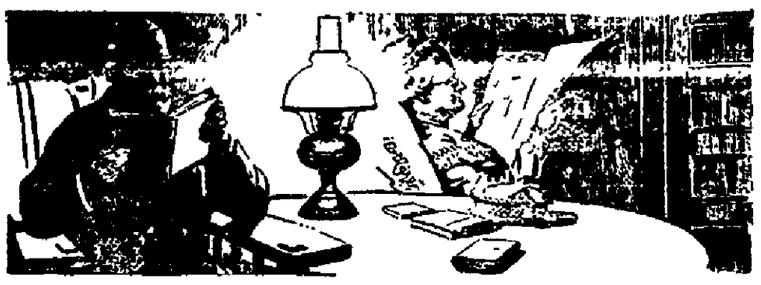

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A Poet's Homely Face.

The poet Rogers was afflicted with a notably unpleasant, cadaverous countenance, which, with all his intellectual power, was a mortification to him. To hide his annoyance he joked about his ugliness incessantly and deceived his friends into supposing him indifferent to it. He once turned to Sydney Smith, who, with Byron and Moore, was dining with him, and said:

"Chantrey wants to perpetuate this miserable face of mine. What pose would you suggest that I should take?"

"If you really wish to spare the world as much as possible," said the wit, "I would, if I were you, be taken at my prayers, my face buried in my hands."

Rogers laughed with the other persons present, but he shot a malignant glance at the jester and, it is said, never fully forgave him for the bonmot.

A Primitive Partnership.

There are three partners in a boat in a Yorkshire fishing village who will not accept a check because the bank is too far away. They have two miles to walk to get their money orders cashed. Only one of the three is able to read and write, and he draws the money, and then the three sit at a table and divide it.

"One for yow," says the leader, and places a sovereign in front of one partner. "One for thee"—and another sovereign is put in front of the other partner. "And one for me"—and he places another at his own corner.

And so he goes on, "One for yow, one for thee, and one for me," until the sovereigns are equally shared, then the silver and even the pence are divided in the same way.—London Mail.

His First Chance.

A certain railway magnate is anxious to have his young son acquire a working knowledge of husbandry, including the art of carving, says the Cleveland Plain Dealer. The other day the youngster had a practical lesson when asked to preside at the table and distribute a roast chicken.

He gave his mother a drumstick and the next to his father. Each of the sisters he helped to a wing. And then he sliced up pretty nearly all the breast for himself.

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Equal to the Emergency.

Being equal to an emergency helps one out of plights into which the best of us sometimes fall. A certain actor came so belated to the theater one evening when he was to play Othello in the tragedy of that name that he forgot to blacken his hands and rushed on the stage with them white and his face sooty. Of course the audience giggled, and poor Othello, when he realized the cause of the mirth, was almost unable to proceed with his part and so deeply mortified that when he made his exit after his first scene he declared that he could not finish the performance, but a happy thought struck him. He procured a pair of flesh colored gloves, blackened his hands, put the gloves on and walked quietly on again. There was quite a little tittering as the Moor went on with his lines, but it entirely subsided as during a speech of one of the other characters the dusky lover carefully drew off his gloves, disclosing hands to match his face. Then those whose risibles had been affected felt small and awkward.

The End of His Rope.

"Charles," she said, "that's the worst cigar I ever smelled in my life. Throw it away. I'm stifling!"

And she uttered a little stifle.

"It cost 10 cents," he replied, caressing the hand. "The man said it took four Cubans three days to make it, and I'd hate to throw it away. It cost 10 cents."

"Nevertheless," she said between stifles, "if you don't throw it away it will kill me. It's terrible. You know I'm no chronic kicker, but just look at me!"

And indeed he had never seen any one stifle so fast or so hard. Yet he went right on smoking, muttering, "It cost me 10 cents."

The bill for the funeral (an elaborate one, for he felt quite upset) amounted to $146.80, and as he wrote a check for it he reflected, with a twinge of conscience, "It cost 10 cents, but I suppose it would have been cheaper to throw it away."—Pittsburgh Press.

They Recover Quickly.

The marriage or rather the remarriage statistics in the mairies of Paris make sad reading for the sentimentalists. Of 2,270 disconsolate widowers 148 remarry within a year. The defections increase with terrible rapidity in the second year, which sees 628 relapses from the ranks of mourners. At the end of the third year only thirty-seven widowers remain. With the widows it is even worse. None remarry within the first year of their husband's decease, but it is feared that this is due not to fidelity, but to the strict legal veto which obtains in France. Once the law's delay is at an end they go off with vertiginous rapidity. Of 1,907 weeping widows in eighteen months only four had not exchanged their weeds for wedding garments.—Paris Cor. London Telegraph.

Norway's Sick Insurance Law.

Norway has a sick insurance law which embraces all wage earners and public servants over fifteen years of age whose yearly earnings do not exceed $322 if in the rural districts or $375 in the cities. The law also provides that the employer shall pay a certain percentage (one-sixth) of the premium, while he is held responsible for the whole, but may deduct from the wages of the insured at the end of the term for which the premium is paid the amount thus advanced. Theoretically it is self insurance on the contributive plan, while actually it amounts to an extra tax upon the employer, as most employees stipulate when engaging their services that the insurance premium shall be paid in addition to the wages.

Old Time Punishment.

In "Pike's History of Crimes," volume 1, page 226, is found the following copy of the sentence of an old time traitor: "It is the order of the court that for your treason you be drawn and hanged and beheaded and that your heart, bowels and entrails, from whence come your traitorous thoughts, be torn out and burned to ashes and that the ashes be scattered to the four winds and that your body be afterward cut into four quarters."

Sugar.

A West India paper says that in 1752 an "Essay on Sugar" was written in which it is recorded that the Duke of Beaufort, who died in 1702 at the advanced age of eighty years, used to eat a pound of sugar every day, and it was found that he was never troubled with coughs and his teeth were fair so that his house keeper gave this reason:

That who'er eyes, nor eats, nor drinks
Will live prescribed life and long.

He Remembered.

Mrs. Jones—Do you remember that night in June, Henry, when you first asked me to marry you? Mr. Jones—If you refer to that fool act, I'll state solemnly and only once upon which I ever asked you to marry me, I do and you never gave me another chance either.

His Ancestors.

Jones—So you have succeeded in tracing back my ancestors? What is your fee? Genealogist—One thousand pounds—for keeping quiet about them.—London Tit-Bits.

Not Going to Pieces.

Geraldine—May I see you apart? Gerald—Well, I should say not! Do I look as if I were coming to pieces?—New York Press.

Some people will never learn anything for this reason—because they understand everything too soon.—Pope.

Curious Geological Shiftings.

Although in the geological past vast changes of level occurred on the borders and even in the center of continents, it is a debated question whether at present similar elevations and subsidences can be detected. The frequently repeated statement that the coasts of Massachusetts and New Jersey are perceptibly sinking has been often disputed, the apparent subsidence being ascribed to simple changes of shore line. Nevertheless some curious records kept in Europe seem to indicate that actual fluctuations of the level of the land may occasionally be observed. In the valley of the Main a church tower hidden behind a mountain screen has since 1811 gradually risen into plain view from the chateau of Stroessendorf, and still farther in the same direction another church tower, which began to be visible from Stroessendorf eighty years ago, is now clearly seen above the horizon and is said to rise higher as time goes on. Similar records exist in Bohemia, in Switzerland, in Spain and in the French Jura.—Harper's.

An English Billion.

In England a billion is a million times a million. This is quickly written and quicker still pronounced, but no man is able to count it. You will count 160 or 170 a minute, but let us suppose that you go up as high as 200 a minute, hour after hour. At that rate you would count 12,000 an hour, 288,000 a day or 105,120,000 in a year. Let us suppose now that Adam, at the beginning of his existence, had begun to count, had continued to do so and was counting still. Had such a thing been possible he would not yet have finished the task of counting a billion. To count a billion would require a person to count 200 a minute for a period of 9,512 years 542 days 5 hours 20 minutes, provided that he should count continuously. But suppose we allow the counter twelve hours daily for rest, eating and sleeping. Then he would need 18,025 years 319 days 10 hours 45 minutes in which to complete the task.

Saw a Profit.

The artistic temperament often leads toward poverty, but it frequently compensates its victim with a saving grace of humor which makes even the poverty a source of fun. A young woman who was possessed of the temperament and had given up everything else for it suddenly sold a picture for a considerable sum and made haste to apply the proceeds as a first payment on a small cottage she had long desired. The former owner attempted to advise her about the neighbors.

"Now, that couple next door," he said warningly, "they are right good neighbors, friendly and all that, but keep your eyes open. If they see a chance to make a hundred dollars out of you they won't hesitate to do it."

"Fine, dear!" cried the young woman. "I'm going over now and see if I can't get them to do it on shares."

An Editor Extinguished.

Here is a story of a bumptious editor, told in W. H. Rideing's "Many Celebrities and a Few Others." The editor sat beside Mr. Gladstone at a dinner party.

"I received a note from you a few days ago," said Mr. Gladstone pleasantly.

"From me? Not from me. I am sure you didn't. You may have had one from my secretary."

Mr. Gladstone, though clearly hurt, nodded his head gently in acquiescence, and the conversation went on, Mr. Gladstone taking a predominant share. But the editor was not allowed to get a word in edgewise for the rest of the evening. Mr. Gladstone would neither see him nor hear him, and, except to himself, he was nonexistent.

Bats as They Feed.

Bats fly as soon as darkness begins. They live on such insects as are then on the wing: gnats, mosquitoes, moths and beetles. The service they give to vegetation, even in temperate climates, is considerable. Some hot countries could not be inhabited but for bats. Most of the race are miscellaneous in their feeding and not very delicate in their taste. They devour indiscriminately all animal substances, whether raw or dressed and in any state.

A Study in Anatomy.

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The Eternal Impulse.

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Wise Dogs.

"Why is it that the dog is always referred to as the most intelligent animal?"

"Because he knows how to get a good living without doing any work," replied the horse.—New Orleans Picayune.

Her Brand.

"That prima donna may be a little ancient," said the enthusiastic man, "but she's a peach."

"Yes," replied Miss Cayenne, "a preserved peach."—Washington Star.

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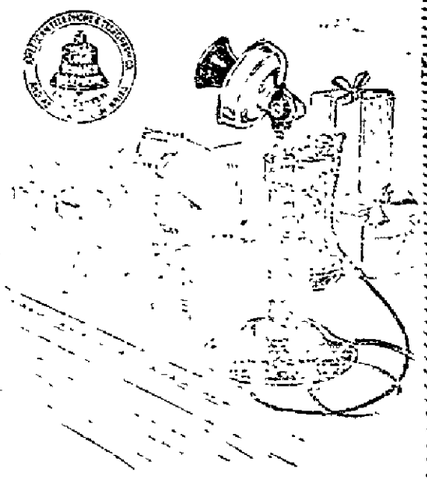

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Or perhaps you would prefer to buy her some fancy work in Drawn Work, Battenberg, Cushions, Folders for Gloves, Hankdkerchiefs or numerous other articles.

There is everything here that would please either the girl or the woman.

Gists For Men

Shopping for Men this year will be so easy at our store, we have eliminated the worry--have solved the gift question for you.

Buy him a handsome Smoking Jacket, a Bath Robe or House Robe and you will be sure to please.

Then there are Ties boxed, Hose, Hose and Ties in boxes, Gloves, a nice Hat, Handkerchiefs boxed or without. Or perhaps a Dress Shirt would please just as well and be equally practical.

For the Boys there are Ties, Gloves, Caps, Cuff Buttons, Stick Pins, a nice Muffler or a box of Handkerchiefs.

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LEGISLATURE TO BE REALLY PROGRESSIVE

(Continued from First Page)

an suffrage, more stringent laws governing weights and measures, besides many bills designed to conserve the resources of the state and to promote greater development of the same.

While the Anti-Saloon League people will again push a local option bill will again push a local option bill with renewed vigor, the followers of the temperance movement will devote their attention to other lines of activity in order to accomplish their ends. One thing they propose to do, it is stated, is to make a determined effort to regulate the clubs throughout the state that dispense intoxicating liquors. It is proposed to have these licensed by the courts the same as the hotels, if possible, in the event of a failure to prohibit the dispensation of liquor by them entirely. The Anti-Saloon League also proposes to push an act compelling the closing of saloons at specified early h ours at night as well as on holidays. These forces claim a greater following in the legislature than they ever had before, and assert that in view of the general temper of the voters throughout the state they can exert enough pressure to get the requisite number to pass their local option bill. In view of the possibility of the passage of an initiative and referendum a ct, the matter of local option now is not such a vital issue with them.

Another progressive measure of vital interest will be a resolution calling for a constitutional convention to revise the entire construction. This movement is just starting, but as it has the backing and active support of Mayor Magee of Pittsburg, it is expected that the measure will pass.

Governor Tener has expressed himself in accord with the progressive program. He announces that he will be entirely free from the influence of the Penrose or Flinn faction in legislation and consider bills entirely upon their merits.

"I am the Governor of Pennsylvania," he replied to an interview. "I will act in all matters for the good of the whole people and will not be partisan. Legislation that comes to me will be considered upon its merit and necessity, as I see it, and it will make no matter to me what faction or set of men is behind it, so as it is right."

Mme. Scarron.

Mme. Scarron, afterward the famous Mme. de Maintenon, the wife of Louis XIV., was in her girlhood remarkably beautiful. She was dark, with piercing black eyes and wavy hair. In middle life her gravity of countenance and of deportment was considered quite extraordinary in that age of gayety. One of her contemporaries said that she did not smile once a year, and yet she was not gloomy, but only of a sedate habit of mind.

A Definition.

"Pa," said Willie, "what is a genius?"

"A genius, my son," said Mr. Knowitall, "is a man who can't collect enough of what the world owes him to pay what he owes to the community in which he lives."—Harper's Weekly.

American French.

Blobbs—How did you get along in Paris? Slobbs—Not very well. Blobbs—Don't you speak French? Slobbs—Only enough to make myself misunderstood.—Philadelphia Record.

Society and Personal

(The Mail is anxious to publish all items of local interest, such as accounts of parties, entertainments or the like in this columff and invites its readers to hand in notes of such. Names of those present at various functions will be published to a limited number. Personals are especially desired. More important items will be given under special head.)

Mrs. R. C. Mountsier and Mrs. F. W. Jones are spending the day in Pittsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Warrensford are spending the day in Pittsburg.

Miss Cunningham of Monongahela was a guest Tuesday evening of Miss Bessie Stroud.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cordes have returned from Atlantic City, and the former has left for St. Louis, Mo., on a business trip.

Mrs. S. E. Rodgers this morning received a telegram from her son, Harry Rodgers of Seattle, Wash., announcing the arrival of a son in his family, whose name will be William Knox Rodgers.

C. S. McKean and Frank Arrison have gone to Philadelphia on a business trip.

Editor E. C. Niver of theMail is spending the day in Pittsburg.

Mrs. Philip Pardiny and daughter Clea are visiting in Pittsburg and will witness the "Garden of Allah," at the Nixon theatre.

George Wagner left this week for Coshocton, Urbana and Columbus, Ohio, where he will spend two weeks with relatives and friends.

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AN ORDINANCE.

Authorizing the Borough of Speers, Washington County, Penna., to enter into a contract with the West Penn Electric company a corporation of the State of Pennsylvania, providing for the lighting of the streets, alleys and highway of said borough by electricity.

Be it ordained and enacted by the Borough of Speers, in Council assembled, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same.

Section 1. That the Borough of Speers by its President and Secretary of Council, be and it hereby is authorized and directed to enter into a contract with the West Penn Electric Company providing for the lighting of the streets, alleys and highways of the said borough for a period of five (5) years from the 12th day of November, A. D. 1912.

Section 2. The lights to be contracted for are six 60 c. p. 7 1-2 amperes, series tungsten lamps, or lamps of equivalent illuminating power, and said lamps shall burn from dusk until dawn every night except in the case of unavoidable accidents or causes beyond its control.

Sec. 3. The West Penn Electric Company shall furnish such additional lamps on the streets, alleys and highways of the said Borough as the Borough may from time to time direct, and will cause same to burn as above specified, provided that it shall not be required to install any additional lamps within six (6) month. If the expiration of the contract hereby authorized and shall not be required to extend its lines more than 300 feet for each additional lamp so furnished.

Section 4. The rate to be charged for series tungstens lamps which may be added shall be Twenty-Four Dollars ($24.00) per year, payment thereof to be made in equal monthly installments on or before the 15th day of the month next following the month in which service is rendered.

Section 5. The Borough approves the present locations of the lamps and will pay the cost of changing the location of any of the lamps, the position of which it may order changed, where such changes will necessitate the extension of lines or the erection of new poles.

Sec. 6. All ordinances, or parts of ordinances, inconsistent herewith or in any manner conflicting with this ordinances, inconsistent herewith or

Sec. 7. The cost of the publication and advertising of this ordinance shall be paid by the West Penn Electric company.

Ordained and enacted into an ordinance this twelfth day of November A. D. 1912.

Wm. Steel,
President of Council.

Attest:
James W. Collins.
Secretary.

Examined and approved this 12th day of November, A. D. 1912.

C. L. Walters,
Chief Burgess.

James W. Collins,

Resolutions of Condolence.

Whereas, the angel of death has visited Charleroi Hive and taken from us our beloved sister, Mrs. Jennie Geary, and

Whereas we remember well the loving service, the friendly counsel and the cheering smile of our sister who has passed Beyond and bow in humble submission to the Will of our Heavenly Father,

Resolved. That we the members of Charleroi Hive No. 185 of the Ladies of the Maccabees of the World at our regular meeting held December 2 do hereby tender to the husband and family of our deceased sister our most sincere sympathy.

Resolved. That our charter be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days, these resolutions spread upon the record of our Hive, a copy sent to the bereaved husband and a copy sent to the town paper for publication.

L. May Cottle,
Mettie E. Blanchard.
Anna M. Sullivan,
Committee.

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Packet Service Suspended.

The side packet, I. C. Woodward, operating between Pittsburg and Fairmont, was tied up at the latter town Monday the crew paid off and sent home and packet operations on the Monongahela river suspended indefinitely.

Fancy work articles, hand made, suitable for Christmas presents at the Methodist Bazaar December 5 and 6. 113-t1

GIVE EPIC OF NEGRO

Dixie Chorus Presents an Interesting Program Here

APPEAR IN COSTUME

The first entertainment of the Citizens' Entertainment course was given Tuesday night at the Methodist Episcopal church by the Dixie Chorus and was attended by a good sized crowd. An octet of young colored men, all singers, one a banjo artist one a pianist and one a reader, the chorus produced well what they termed "The Epic of the Negro."

The first part of the program showed the negro pursuing his primitive habits in the jungle. The members of the chorus were attired in the costume of that early period and had the spars and weapons of warfare which were used then. Part two showed them as slaves, in the cotton field, and in the prayer meeting. As a happy-go-lucky lot, forced to appear satisfied with their condition of servitude, they sang the jovial songs of which the colored man of to-days was so fond. One of the features was the prayer meeting, patterned after the old-time darky affair.

The third part was intended to be the best musical part of the whole program. The first chorus number was "Comrades in Arms," by Adams. This was the best chorus number by far that was rendered. Opal Cooper sang "Goodbye," a composition of Tosti. With a beautiful tenor voice he sang it well. Edward Goodbar rendered the "Creole Love Song," by Smith, and John Turner a big man with a big deep voice sang the old stand by for bassos, "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep," and as an encore rendered his programmed number "Clang of the Forge" by De Koven. Thec horus attempted the rendition of the famous sextet from "Lucia di Lammermoor," and to be frank, found it somewhat above their abilities. George Conley also found the same trouble in his tenor solo, "The Holy City," though he has a naturally rich tenor voice.

One of the most enjoyed features was the banjo playing of Edward Williams. He is perfectly at home with this instrument. Louis Johnson delighted with renderings culled from the works of Paul Lawrence Dunbar, the negro writer and poet. The lecturer, Henry F. Coleman, knew his business. His oration on the race problem, introducing part three was especially deserving of commendation.

The next entertainment is to be given on December 20, when Opie Reed, the humorist-author will appear.

ARE AROUSED BY BARKING OF DOG; HOME IS BURNED

The barking of a faithful house dog aroused the family of Steve Check on Fourteenth street at Monessen this morning, to discover a fire in their home and the butcher shop of Andy Check, adjoining. The fire occurred at 2 o'clock. The family had to grope their way out in their night clothes to escape.

The butcher shop, the property of Mr. Steve Check and the latter's residence, all one story frame buildings were destroyed. The loss is said to be about $8,000. It is claimed that a man was seen about the premises and it is thought perhaps the fire might have been started by him.

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When [illegible] person met an old man who was one of his most intimate friends. He was pale, confused, awe stricken. Every one was trying to console him, but in vain.

"His loss," he exclaimed, "does not affect me so much as his horrible ingratitude. Would you believe it? He died without leaving me anything in his will—I, who have dined with him at his own house three times a week for thirty years!"—Life.

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BIGELOW IMPORTUNED TO LET WORK CONTINUE

Council Adopts Resolution in Matter of State Road

IS IN BAD SHAPE NOW

Highway Not in Condition for Winter--Treasurers Report Shows Balance

State Highway Commissioner Edward M. Bigelow will be importuned by Charleroi council to allow work on the construction of sections of State Highway route No. 112 running through Charleroi to be continued. At the regular meeting of council Tuesday night Borough Clerk Ira L. Nickeson was instructed by council to write to Mr. Bigelow, telling him the good condition of the weather here now and describing the condition in which the road is. The main stretch desired to be put in shape before the bad weather of winter sets in is that out Lincoln avenue extension.

It is the opinion of council that Mr. Bigelow ordered the work stopped because of the approaching winter, considering the weather was not such as would permit the construction of the road to go ahead.

President W. R. Gaut was unable to be present and his place in the chair was assumed by W. H. Calvert.

Tax Collector J. W. Mathias had in his report for two months. The amount turned over to the treasurer for September and October was $2,235.09.

Borough Treasurer T. R. Eagye submitted his report which is summarized as follows:

Balance from last report.	$10,683.80
Receipts	1,385.80
Total	$12,069.10
Disbursements	8,812.11
Balance in treasury	$ 3,156.99

Burgess George W. Risbeck made a report that during November there had been 61 arrests made, and fines and costs assessed totaling $132.35. Of this amount $114.35 was paid, the balance being served out by odenders.

Daniel Gottheld sought permission to construct a driveway into a stable on McKean avenue. William Gelder was present to discuss the matter of a property line on Crest avenue.

DONORA BOARD OF TRADE TO ENTERTAIN

Secretary G. W. Dudderar of the Washington Board of Trade, will be the chief speaker at the annual banquet of the Donora Chamber of Commerce, which will be held in a Donora hostelry this evening. Attorney R. W. Irwin of Washington is also scheduled to make an address.

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Is Tri Cities' Company Now

Name of Water Company is Changed to Suit Desires of Dustomers

Henceforth the water company supplying the boroughs of Charleroi, Monessen and Donora with water will be known as the Tri 'Cities' Water company. The name since the middle part of August, when a deal was consummated by the Charleroi Water company for the purchase of the Donora and Monessen concerns, has been "The Monessen Water company." There were objections to such title locally, so the new name was decided upon with a view of pleasing all concerned.

BOULDER HOLDS UP MANAGER

Railroad Official Bows Submissive to Law of Nature

ROCK HITS FREIGHT CAR

General Manager R. L. O'Donnell of the Pennsylvania Railroad and a company of fellow officials had it thoroughly demonstrated to them Tuesday afternoon that while their corporation can make mountains look like molehills and seemingly impregnable rock walls like a pile of pebbles, it still has to be subservient to the law of nature, from which there is no appeal. The demonstration was given to their great annoyance, just as they were coming south from Pittsburg on an inspection tour of the Monongahela division. The scene of the production was th railroad tracks a short distance this side of Bamford. The principal properties were a freight train and a huge boulder.

The action was magnificent. The boulder, which perhaps for centuries has been maintaining a position of easy repose on the hillside above the railroad, suddenly became endowed with life and tore its crooked path down the steep slope. Fate would have it that a freight train should be passing at the time. The result may be imagined. The huge rock dashed against a big hopper car and ripped it from its trucks, hurling the heavy steel frame across the north bound track, and eompletely blocking the right of way.

General Manager O'Donnell's train was a short ways behind the freight when the accident happened and he and his company of officials had to wait from shortly after 2 o'clock until 5 to get past. Likewise two passenger trains were held up, one on this end and one on the other end.

PRECAUTIONS TAKEN TO PREVENT DISEASE

Three Cases of Diptheria Reported From School Room--Borough Was Free From Contagious Diseases Week Ago

From an altogether admirable condition of health less than a week ago, the borough of Charleroi has advanced to the place where the greatest precaution of the health authorities is necessary to prevent an epidemic of one of the most dreaded of diseases that of diphtheria. On Thanksgiving a report was made upon behalf of the Board of Health at the union Thanksgiving service that the town was entirely free from contagious diseases. Today there are three cases of diphtheria.

The cases of diphtheria all developed from room No. 5, of the Second street school building, and have all been reported since Saturday. Those ill from the disease are Miss Mildred Lowstutter, the teacher of the room, a son of Joseph Lichter, of Fallowfield avenue and a son of Samuel Michener of Lookout avenue, pupils in the room.

As soon as the diptheria cases were reported room No. 5 and an adjoining room were closed down, and thoroughly fumigated by Health Officer William Darby. The precaution has been taken of quarantining certain homes for a period of ten days where the children have been exposed in any way to the disease.

How the diphtheria spread is a question. It has been fully a month since there was any contagious disease in thet own. It is thought by some of the health authorities that some foreign child of room No. 5 had allowed himself to be exposed to the disease and then to have gone to school.

TEACHERS ATTENDING MONESSEN INSTITUTE

Local Schools Closed Down for Afternoon--Well Known Educators Speak on Interesting School Topics

The Charleroi schools closed down this afternoon and the teachers are at Monessen attending the first annual institute being held by the teachers of that place. The Rostraver township schools from the vicinity of Monessen are also closed permitting the teachers to attend the institute.

This morning Dr. F. H. Green professor of English at the West Chester Normal School at West Chester and Dr. T. F. Lowden of the Ohio State University at Columbus spoke. This afternoon the same two men will speak, t he former subject being "Well Disarmed." on "Knowing an Author's life," and the latter on "Effective Teaching of History." Dr. Edwin E. Sparks, head of Pennsylvania State College will make his first appearance this afternoon and deliver an address.

Tonight ex-Gov. J. Frank Hanley, of Indiana, will deliver his second address before the institute body, his "The Neapolitans" appeared in a concert Tuesday night before a crowded house.

TIES HANDS OF WOMAN THEN ROBS HER OF SAVINGS

After tying her hands behind her back a bold robber took from Mrs. William Rockeye of Pine Flats near Avella Tuesday morning $650 and made his escape. Bloodhounds are on thet rail of the thief and it is believed that he will be rounded up

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SATURDAY NIGHT DANCE
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The Ladies of the Washington Avenue Presbyterian Church will hold a Bazaar in the basement of the church Thursday evening, Dec. 5th and Friday and Saturday afternoon and evenings, Dec. 6th and 7th. Also a market consisting of home-made pasteries and candies. 109-t8

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The Winter Club.

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LEGISLATURE TO BE REALLY PROGRESSIVE

Constructive Measures Listed for the Next Session

ONE IS THE INITIATIVE

Flinn to See to it That Billl With All Up-to-Date Trimmings is Presented

Unless all signs fail, there will be more constructive legislation at the coming session of the state legislature than at any time since Governor Pennypacker called his famous special session and gave to the people of the state the uniform primary law and a number of other progressive measures. When the Republican state convention met in Harrisburg last June, in addition to steam rollering the old outfit of politicians, it made seven specific pledges for progressive legislation. To see thatt hese pledges are carried out a committee was appointed to draft bills embodying these pledges. This committee has already drafted several tentative bills covering the various subjects, which are submitted to the public for discussion and criticism.

In addition to these pledges a number of other radical measures will be introduced for consideration. Among these will be the initiative, the referendum and the recall. This was not one of the specific pledges of the Republican platform, but it is well known that it is the decided sentiment of a majority of the voters of the state, who supported Col. Roosevelt, the great apostle of direct rule by the people. This matter is said to have been kept out by the influence of Mayor W. A. Magee of Pittsburg for political reasons, although William Flinn was in favor of it. The Democrats adopted the initiative and the referendum in their platform, but omitted the recall.

Now William Flinn, who left the Republican party to lead the Bull Moosers in the state, and who is the accepted leader of the Washington party, now the majority party of the state, announces that he proposes to see to it that the initiative, referendum and the recall will be introduced in the legislature this session.

"And don't be surprsed if they pass this time," announced Mr. Flinn for they passed the house at the last session and only lacked four votes in the senate."

In view of the great progressive sentiment that now prevails in the state, it is believed that the initiative and referendum will have no difficulty at all in passing both houses although the recall may be dropped for the time being, but it is clearly evident that it will only be a question of time before that, too, will be incorporated into the laws of the state.

Governor Tener's public utilities commission bill is one of the measures pledged by the commission, and it is expected to have easy sailing. Two years ago it was hung up, because it was offensive to the corporations it was designed to regulate. Other measures pledged are an employers' liability bill, a child labor bill, a bill regulating the employment of women, besides several others. Other progressive measures to be presentdd will be a mothers' pension law, wom-

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Republican Spent More

Walker's Account Shows $195 Disbursement and Carson's $72

James W. Walker, Republican candidate for assemblyman, spent $195.28 in his campaign. Of this amount he gave $150 to James Eagleson, treasurer of the Republican county committee. The balance was spent for printing, hotel and traveling expenses.

Cornelius Carson, the Democratic candidate for assemblyman and one of the successful candidates spent $72.81. Of this amount he gave $10 to the Democratic headquarters a t Washington and $2 to the headquarters at Monongahela. The balance was spent in printing and advertising.

QUESTION OF CLUB UP HERE

Evidence Against Lithuanian Society is Presented

MIXUP IN CHARTER?

County Detective William McCleary was present Tuesday night at a hearing given Mike Russell, a Lithuanian and about a dozen of his countryment, by Burgess George W. Risbeck. The charge against the men was disorderly conduct, it having been reported there was a fight at Russell's place but one of the purposes of the hearing was to procure evidence regarding the alleged operation of a club on Oakland avenue, claimed to be a liquor club. The case is one similar to those which attracted the attention of the county authorities some time ago, and which resulted in a notable decision on the club selling of liquor b y Judge J. A. McIlvaine. What action County Detective McCleary will take is a question. The evidence against the club did not seem to be strong. It was stated that each man had a case of beer, and that if one member ran out o fdring the rules were such that he could buy or borrow from a brother-member, until such time as his store should be replenished. The charter however is said to have been for a Roscoe organization with the name scratched out and Charleroi substituted.

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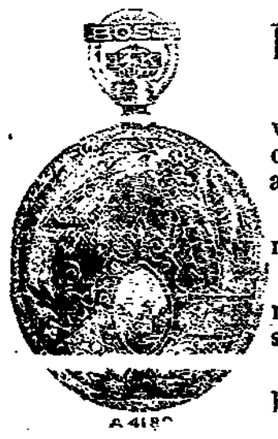

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INSTITUTIONAL VISITORS.

The recommendation of the State Federation of Women's Clubs for the appointment of capable women in every county to visit the jails, the almshouses, the children's homes and the hospitals at times they may see fit is perhaps one of the most needful forms of inspection that could be instituted. In spite of all the watchfulness and care that is supposed to be exercised in the conduct of these institutions grave abuses are constantly being brought to light, and the fact that the public is debarred from visitations except under conduct of officials at regularly stated intervals, gives ample opportunity for the abuses that exist in the most of these institutions. In our own country the conduct of the children's home under the previous administration was found to be exceedingly faulty, but had the public been admitted freely to the home, or had some of the women's societies been privileged to appoint visiting inspectors with the freedom of the institution, these abuses would not have been tolerated for the length of time they endured.

Our jails, our prisons, our almshouses and hospitals are not open enough for the inspection of the public. The county jails in particular are in need of more public inspection and surveillance. Every once in awhile grave scandals are unearthed and even our state penitentiaries have not been free from suspicion in the past. What is needed is for the people to insist that the institutions they establish and maintain should be open at any and all times for the inspection of the ones who pay the bills. The chief difficulty is that most public officials of institutions are under the impression that they are autocrats instead of public servants. With the recall in operation this would be changed, and a better order of conditions would be effected for the unfortunates that come under the charge of the public.

SYSTEMATIC ROBBERY

The statement of James Sweeney, state sealer of weights and measures, that in one-fourth of the state where inspections have been made, seventeen per cent of the weights and measures used are fraudulent, indicates the enormous extent that the [illegible] are being systematically robbed. In greater Pittsburg alone, according to fairly accurate estimates of the sealer of weights and measures, the sum of $1,500,000 is fraudulently extracted from the people in the purchase of the necessities of life. This is startling to say the least.

Perhaps the most peculiar feature of the law governing the regulation of weights and measures is that it is optional with the counties, instead of being compulsory. So blunted is the public conception of the process of systematically cheating in trade that the law condones it. To be consistent the law should make it optional with every community whether or not it punishes murder, theft, burglary, rape, or any of the other heinous offenses.

The fact that this discrimination is made shows how far yet we have to go before the proper protection is afforded the public. According to the accepted code of morals at present the man who breaks into a residence or business place and steals is a criminal, but the one who purports to sell a certain amount of goods to poor people for a specified price and then steals a part of the product back is a shrewd business man. What the public is in need of most is to be educated to the fact that there is no essential difference between tweedledum andt weedledee.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

A Minneapolis pastor is arranging to have chorus girls dance some of those wicked dances in his church, just to show how bad they are. The elders had better prepare for an overflow crowd and reserve places for the bald-headed row.

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The only drawback about the proposed Blue Sky Law for Pennsylvania is that it coms too late to be of any benefit to Charleroi.

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Some of these dethroned politicians who lost their occupation by reason of the last election might get a job at punching holes in porus plasters. They would be of as much use to the public as they formerly were.

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The Dark Edge.

A sentimental young maiden named [illegible]

[illegible]

How another self might look
And [illegible] should both be in [illegible]

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A free thinker may be said to be a man who isn't married.

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Elbert Hubbard makes the charge that even though the honey always [illegible] always separate him from his appendix.

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No matter how noted a man may be he has his faults and the neighbors always know them.

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It's time to pay the gas bill, but another month will elapse before the water bill is due.

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A New England minister says a couple can get married on $15 a week. In some places they can get the knot tied for $5.

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A Shenandoah boy was burned by a cup of coffee he spilled on himself. There is no use talking; coffee is unhealthy for children.

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Some men who sign verbal contracts draw yearly salaries.

Our Moving Picture Show

A minister's son was he,
But he showed at the age of three,
That he wanted to go
Where they have more dough.
And a magnate he thought he would be.

Watch this space tomorrow.

PICKED UP IN PASSING

As an illustration of the official sense of morality at some of our penal institutions which are designed to reform as well as punish criminals, a recent visitor to Charleroi tells the following story:

A shiftless colored boy in Alabama after being caught in a number of petty thefts, was sentenced to a term in the penitentiary, where he was set to learn a trade. He served his term which was a short one, and in his return home a white acquaintance who met him asked:

"Well, what did they put you at in the prison, Rastus?"

'Dey started in to make on ones' boy out'n me, sah."

"That's good, Rastus, I hope they succeeded."

"Dey did, sah."

"And how did they teach you to be honest?"

"Dey put me in de shoe shop, sah, nailin' pasteboard soles onto de shoes."

When Edna Goodrich, who is playing at the Grand Theatre in Pittsburg this week, began her initial vaudeville engagement at the Palace in Chicago, her home town, her manager wired a New York newspaper this laconic message: "Big reception Went fine." Whereupon the newspaper printed this paragraph anent the recent appearance of the fair Edna at the Savoy in Atlantic City:

"A stage hand," he wrote, "during Miss Goodrich's act became so entranced with the beautiful picture she presented as a living statue of Minerva in Claude Gillingwater's 'The Awakening of Minerva,' from the old Greek tale of Pygballion and Galatea that he drew a long sigh and remarked to the property man in his picturesque vernacular:

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Election.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of Bank of Charleroi for the election of (11) eleven directors to serve for the ensuing year or until their successors are elected and qualified and for the transaction of any other business that may come before them, will be held on Thursday January 2nd, 1913 between the hours of 2 and 3 o'clock p. m. at its Banking House.

Kerfoot W. Daly,

D-4-11

Charleroi Man Wins Prize.

George Koller of 219 Shady avenue was one of the prize winners in the recent poultry show at South side, Pittsburg. He entered a single comb Buff Orpington hen which he had bred, and won third prize.

MEETINGS TO CLOSE

Four Nights Yet of Evangelistic Services at Local Church

SERMONS ANNOUNCED

The special evangelistic services will close at the First Christian church, at the close of the Sunday evening service. There will be but four more services, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday evenings. Evangelist F. A. Bright will discuss the following subjects during the remainder of the meeting:

Wednesday evening—"Four Things That Save the Soul;" Thursday, "What Lack I Yet;" Friday, 'What Shall I Say at the Judgment;" Sunday, "Not Far From the Kingdom." A gospel song service by a large choir and chorus under the direction of Rev. E. N. Duty, preceeds the pretaching service each evening. A cordial welcome is extended to all to attend the remainder of these services.

Tuesday evening, December 10, Evangelist Bright will give a lecture on "The Land of Sacred Story," admission free. A silver orering will be taken. Rev. Bright has traveled extensively through the Holy Land and has a lecture that is not only entertaining but immensly instructive

The question box at the entrance to the church was full of helpful questions last evening, which were answered in a splendid way by the Evangelist. The sermon last night was on "Conversion." The theme was developed in such a simple way that a child could understand. There will be baptisms at the close of this evenings service.

AFFAIRS OF STATE TREATED BY TAFT IN HIS MESSAGE

President Taft's message to congress which assembled at the national capital yesterday, is being read today by local people who are interested. The message deals entirely with the state department, as President Taft has adopted the plan of dealing with the different branches of the executive department in separate messages, which he will present from time to time.

The features of this first message cover a wide range of international topics, the chief features of which are the extension of our foreign trade and commerce. Stress is also laid on what is termed the "dollar diplomacy," where the war-like attitudes of nations are substituted for business relations. While the rank and file of the people may not read this message closely, it is an important in that it is working along the lines of peace in the intercourse of nations instead of holding up our end in the bellicose attitude usually assumed.

After the Duke of Wellington's victorious campaigns the University of Oxford complimented the duke himself and his principal officers by conferring upon them the honorary and not very appropriate degree of doctor of civil laws. At that time the fees were heavy, and one of the distinguished soldiers who had gathered more honor than profit in the wars declined the proffered honor in the following verse:

Oxford, I know you wish me well,
But excuse me, I pray,
I can't, alas, be D. C. L.
For want of X's d.

Mermaids.

All the world over there are legends about mermaids. The Chinese tell stories not unlike others about the sea woman of their southern seas. Mankind is taught on the most excellent evidence that a mermaid was captured at Bangor, on the shores of the Belfast lough, in the sixth century, while another caught at Edam in 1403 was carried to Haarlem and kept there for many years.

Logical.

"John, dear, why are some women called Amazons?"

"Well, my dear, you remember our geographies said the Amazon has the largest mouth"—

But she went out and slammed the door before he could say any more.—London Mail.

Makes the Most of It.

"What sort of a chap is he?"

"Well, after a beggar has touched him for a dime, he'll tell you he gave a little dinner to an acquaintance of his."—Baltimore [illegible]

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If six weeks will make such transformation in the oriental six months will so change him that even his father would have difficulty in recognizing him at first glance. And he can say, "You get me, Harold, don't you, old boy?" and "Let's beat it!" as readily as though he were Boston born.

A tutor over in Cambridge takes oriental students in charge as soon as they arrive at the university and instructs them in the ways and means of acquiring a working knowledge of English. It makes no difference whether the youngsters had any education in the English language or not before they left home.

The Chinese or the Japanese student, the tutor says, is invariably quick, determined and eager to learn. Also, according to this tutor, he unlearns a lot of oriental things.—Boston Herald.

The Time Table.

The time table was invented in the days when the railways had so many faults that something had to be done to divert attention of the public.

The ordinary one road time table is confusing enough, but the sort that affect to offer information as to the running of trains on connecting lines are the ones that cause strong men to leap from the clutch of their keepers and race choo-chooing hither and yon.

You are going to take No. 8 from Oopsqush to Ippleding on the O. G. and N. B. You find that to do this you leave No. 8 at Gonsofar and connect with No. 32 on the P. L. and U. C. for Wibbleville, where you catch No. 17. The man who sells you the ticket makes this plain to you. But when you try to unravel the time card you discover that you are also governed by Note B and three or four references. At Wibbleville you learn that No. 17, according to Note Q, runs only on Thursdays when it is raining and you will have to wait until 9:22 p. m. and take No. 13.

The simplest way to use a time table is to add the figures in any one column, divide the sum by the amount of your fare and stay at home.

Ignatius Donnelly cherished a theory that Bacon was [illegible] time tables.—Chicago [illegible]

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A Poet's Homely Face.

The poet Rogers was afflicted with a notably unpleasant, cadaverous countenance, which, with all his intellectual power, was a mortification to him. To hide his annoyance he joked about his ugliness incessantly and deceived his friends into supposing him indifferent to it. He once turned to Sydney Smith, who, with Byron and Moore, was dining with him, and said:

"Chantrey wants to perpetuate this miserable face of mine. What pose would you suggest that I should take?"

"If you really wish to spare the world as much as possible," said the wit, "I would, if I were you, be taken at my prayers, my face buried in my hands."

Rogers laughed with the other persons present, but he shot a malignant glance at the jester and, it is said, never fully forgave him for the bonmot.

A Primitive Partnership.

There are three partners in a boat in a Yorkshire fishing village who will not accept a check because the bank is too far away. They have two miles to walk to get their money orders cashed. Only one of the three is able to read and write, and he draws the money, and then the three sit at a table and divide it.

"One for yow," says the leader, and places a sovereign in front of one partner. "One for thee"—and another sovereign is put in front of the other partner. "And one for me"—and he places another at his own corner.

And so he goes on, "One for yow, one for thee, and one for me," until the sovereigns are equally shared, then the silver and even the pence are divided in the same way.—London Mail.

His First Chance.

A certain railway magnate is anxious to have his young son acquire a working knowledge of husbandry, including the art of carving, says the Cleveland Plain Dealer. The other day the youngster had a practical lesson when asked to preside at the table and distribute a roast chicken.

He gave his mother a drumstick and the next to his father. Each of the sisters he helped to a wing. And then he sliced up pretty nearly all the breast for himself.

"It's my first chance to get all the white meat I want," he said, "and I'm just going to for now it tastes."

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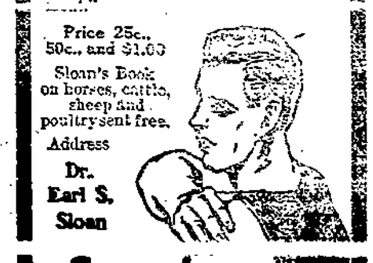

Equal to the Emergency.

Being equal to an emergency helps one out of plights into which the best of us sometimes fall. A certain actor came so belated to the theater one evening when he was to play Othello in the tragedy of that name that he forgot to blacken his hands and rushed on the stage with them white and his face sooty. Of course the audience giggled, and poor Othello, when he realized the cause of the mirth, was almost unable to proceed with his part and so deeply mortified that when he made his exit after his first scene he declared that he could not finish the performance, but a happy thought struck him. He procured a pair of flesh colored gloves, blackened his hands, put the gloves on and walked quietly on again. There was quite a little tittering as the Moor went on with his lines, but it entirely subsided as during a speech of one of the other characters the dusky lover carefully drew off his gloves, disclosing hands to match his face. Then those whose risibles had been affected felt small and awkward.

The End of His Rope.

"Charles," she said, "that's the worst cigar I ever smelled in my life. Throw it away. I'm stifling!"

And she uttered a little stifle.

"It cost 10 cents," he replied, caressing the hand. "The man said it took four Cubans three days to make it, and I'd hate to throw it away. It cost 10 cents."

"Nevertheless," she said between stifles, "if you don't throw it away it will kill me. It's terrible. You know I'm no chronic kicker, but just look at me."

And indeed he had never seen any one stifle so fast or so hard. Yet he went right on smoking, muttering, "It cost me 10 cents."

The bill for the funeral (an elaborate one, for he felt quite upset) amounted to $146.80, and as he wrote a check for it he reflected, with a twinge of conscience, "It cost 10 cents, but I suppose it would have been cheaper to throw it away."—Pittsburgh Press.

They Recover Quickly.

The marriage or rather the remarriage statistics in the mairies of Paris make sad reading for the sentimentalists. Of 2,270 disconsolate widowers 148 remarry within a year. The defections increase with terrible rapidity in the second year, which sees 628 relapses from the ranks of mourners. At the end of the third year only thirty-seven widowers remain. With the widows it is even worse. None remarry within the first year of their husband's decease, but it is feared that this is due not to fidelity, but to the strict legal veto which obtains in France. Once the law's delay is at an end they go off with vertiginous rapidity. Of 1,907 weeping widows in eighteen months only four had not exchanged their weeds for wedding garments.—Paris Cor. London Telegraph.

Norway's Sick Insurance Law.

Norway has a sick insurance law which embraces all wage earners and public servants over fifteen years of age whose yearly earnings do not exceed $322 if in the rural districts or $375 in the cities. The law also provides that the employer shall pay a certain percentage (one-sixth) of the premium, while he is held responsible for the whole, but may deduct from the wages of the insured at the end of the term for which the premium is paid the amount thus advanced. Theoretically it is self insurance on the contributive plan, while actually it amounts to an extra tax upon the employer, as most employees stipulate when engaging their services that the insurance premium shall be paid in addition to the wages.

Old Time Punishment.

In "Pike's History of Crimes," volume 1, page 226, is found the following copy of the sentence of an old time traitor "It is the order of the court that for your treason you be drawn and hanged and beheaded and that your heart, bowels and entrails, from whence come your traitorous thoughts, be torn out and burned to ashes and that the ashes be scattered to the four winds and that your body be afterward cut into four quarters.

Sugar.

A West India paper says that in 1752 an "Essay on Sugar" was written in which it is recorded that the Duke of Beaufort, who died in 1702 at the advanced age of eighty years, used to eat a pound of sugar every day, and it was found that he was never troubled with coughs and his teeth were firm, so that his housekeeper gave this reason:

That which preserves apples and plums
Will also preserve life and lungs.

He Remembered.

Mrs. Jones—Do you remember that night in June, Henry, when you first asked me to marry you? Mr Jones—If you refer to that first, last, single, solitary and only question upon which I ever asked you to marry me, I do, and you never gave me another chance, either.

His Ancestors.

Jones—So you have succeeded in tracing back my ancestors? What is your fee? Genealogist—One thousand pounds—for keeping quiet about them.

Not Going to Pieces.

Geraldine—May I see you apart? Gerald—Well, I should say not! Do I look as if I were coming to pieces?—New York Press.

Some people will never learn anything for this reason—because they understand everything too soon.—Pope.

Curious Geological Shiftings.

Although in the geological past vast changes of level occurred on the borders and even in the center of continents, it is a debated question whether at present similar elevations and subsidences can be detected. The frequently repeated statement that the coasts of Massachusetts and New Jersey are perceptibly sinking has been often disputed, the apparent subsidence being ascribed to simple changes of shore line. Nevertheless some curious records kept in Europe seem to indicate that actual fluctuations of the level of the land may occasionally be observed. In the valley of the Main a church tower hidden behind a mountain screen has since 1861 gradually risen into plain view from the chateau of Stroessendorf, and still farther in the same direction another church tower, which began to be visible from Stroessendorf eighty years ago, is now clearly seen above the horizon and is said to rise higher as time goes on. Similar records exist in Bohemia, in Switzerland, in Spain and in the French Jura.—Harper's.

An English Billion.

In England a billion is a million times a million. This is quickly written and quicker still pronounced, but no man is able to count it. You will count 160 or 170 a minute, but let us suppose that you go up as high as 200 a minute, hour after hour. At that rate you would count 12,000 an hour, 288,000 a day or 105,120,000 in a year. Let us suppose now that Adam, at the beginning of his existence, had begun to count, had continued to do so and was counting still. Had such a thing been possible he would not yet have finished the task of counting a billion. To count a billion would require a person to count 200 a minute for a period of 9,512 years 542 days 5 hours 20 minutes, provided that he should count continuously. But suppose we allow the counter twelve hours daily for rest, eating and sleeping. Then he would need 18,025 years 319 days 10 hours 45 minutes in which to complete the task.

Saw a Profit.

The artistic temperament often leads toward poverty, but it frequently compensates its victim with a saving grace of humor which makes even the poverty a source of fun. A young woman who was possessed of the temperament and had given up everything else for it suddenly sold a picture for a considerable sum and made haste to apply the proceeds as a first payment on a small cottage she had long desired. The former owner attempted to advise her about the neighbors.

"Now, that couple next door," he said warningly, "they are right good neighbors, friendly and all that, but keep your eyes open. If they see a chance to make a hundred dollars out of you they won't hesitate to do it."

"Fine, fine!" cried the young woman. "I'm going over now and see if I can't get them to do it on shares."

An Editor Extinguished.

Here is a story of a bumptious editor, told in W. H. Rideing's "Many Celebrities and a Few Others." The editor sat beside Mr. Gladstone at a dinner party.

"I received a note from you a few days ago," said Mr. Gladstone pleasantly.

"From me? Not from me. I am sure you didn't. You may have had one from my secretary."

Mr. Gladstone, though clearly hurt, nodded his head gently in acquiescence, and the conversation went on, Mr. Gladstone taking a predominant share. But the editor was not allowed to get a word in edgewise for the rest of the evening. Mr. Gladstone would neither see him nor hear him, and, except to himself, he was nonexistent.

Bats as They Feed.

Bats fly as soon as darkness begins. They live on such insects as are then on the wing—gnats, mosquitoes, moths and beetles. The service they give to vegetation, even in temperate climates, is considerable. Some hot countries could not be inhabited but for them. Most of the race are miscellaneous in their feeding and not very delicate in their taste. They devour indiscriminately all animal substances, whether raw or dressed and in any state.

A Study in Anatomy.

"Mamma, what part of the body is the trombone?"

"Not part of the body, my dear."

"Yes, it is, because it says in the paper here that last night while returning from the symphony concert Professor Grideleb had broke his trombone."

The Eternal Impulse.

Fair Suffragette—And now if any one who has heard my speech wishes to ask a question I shall be happy to answer. Masculine Voice (from rear of hall)—If you haven't any other company, may I see you home this evening?—Judge.

Wise Dogs.

"Why is it that the dog is always referred to as the most intelligent animal?"

"Because he knows how to get a good living without doing any work," replied the horse.—New Orleans Picayune.

Her Brand.

"That prima donna may be a little ancient," said the enthusiastic man, "but she's a peach."

"Yes," replied Miss Cayenne, "a preserved peach."—Washington Star.

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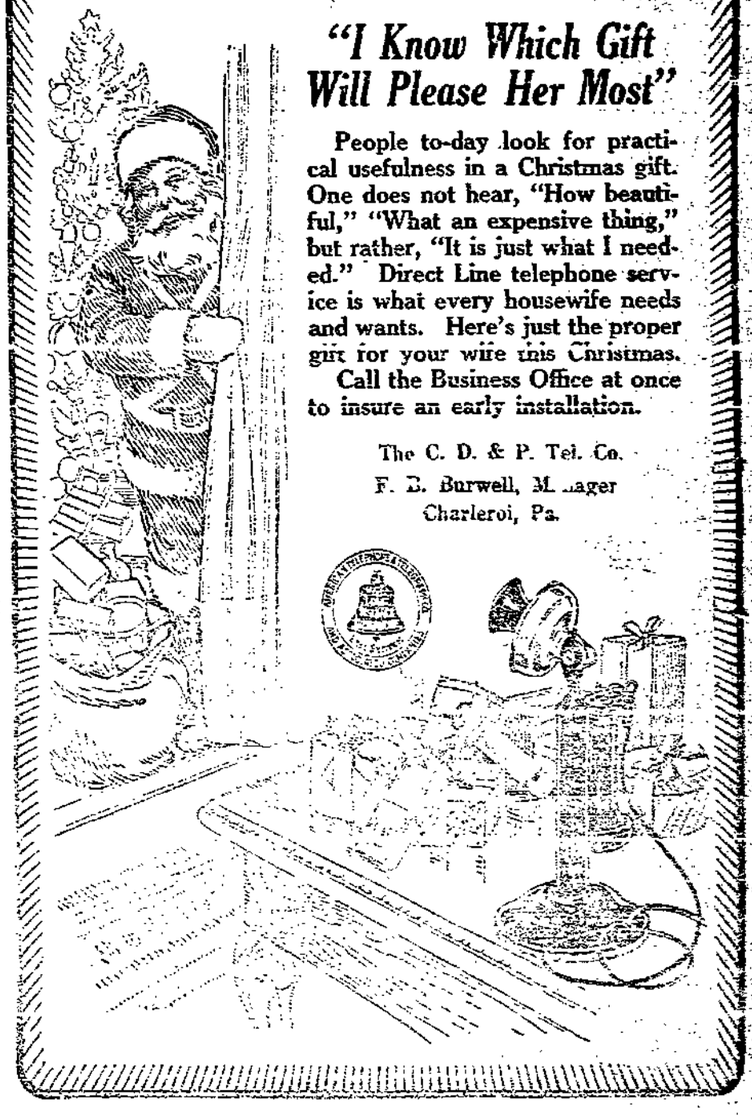

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Or perhaps you would prefer to buy her some fancy work in Drawn Work, Battenberg, Cushions, Folders for Gloves, Hankdkerchiefs or numerous other articles.

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Shopping for Men this year will be so easy at our store we have eliminated the worry here solved the gift question for you.

Buy him a handsome Smoking Jacket, a Bath Robe or House Robe and you will be sure to please.

Then there are Ties boxed, Hose, Hose and Ties in boxes, Gloves, a nice Hat, Handkerchiefs boxed or without. Or perhaps a Dress Shirt would please just as well and be equally practical.

For the Boys there are Ties, Gloves, Caps, Cuff Buttons, Stick Pins, a nice Muffler or a box of Handkerchiefs.

For the smaller Boys; the Cowboy Suit with chaps, holster, gun and lasso or perhaps an Indian Suit; either will strike his fancy.

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LEGISLATURE TO BE REALLY PROGRESSIVE

(Continued from First Page)

an suffrage; more stringent laws governing weights and measures, besides many bills designed to conserve the resources of the state and to promote greater development of the same.

While the Anti-Saloon League people will again push a local option bill will again push a local option bill with renewed vigor, the followers of the temperance movement will devote their attention to other lines of activity in order to accomplish their ends. One thing they propose to do, it is stated, is to make a determined effort to regulate the clubs throughout the state that dispense intoxicating liquors. It is proposed to have these licensed by the courts the same as the hotels, if possible, in the event of a failure to prohibit the dispensation of liquor by them entirely. The Anti-Saloon League also proposes to push an act compelling the closing of saloons at specified early hours at night as well as on holidays. These forces claim a greater following in the legislature than they ever had before, and assert that in view of the general temper of the voters throughout the state they can exert enough pressure to get the requisite number to pass their local option bill. In view of the possibility of the passage of an initiative and referendum act, the matter of local option now is not such a vital issue with them.

Another progressive measure of vital interest will be a resolution calling for a constitutional convention to revise the entire construction. This movement is just starting, but as it has the backing and active support of Mayor Magee of Pittsburg, it is expected that the measure will pass.

Governor Tener has expressed himself in accord with the progressive program. He announces that he will be entirely free from the influence of the Penrose or Flinn faction in legislation and consider bills entirely upon their merits.

"I am the Governor of Pennsylvania," he replied to an interview. "I will act in all matters for the good of the whole people and will not be partisan. Legislation that comes to me will be considered upon its merit and necessity, as I see it, and it will make no matter to me what faction or set of men is behind it, so as it is right."

Mme. Scarron.

Mme. Scarron, afterward the famous Mme. de Maintenon, the wife of Louis XIV., was in her girlhood remarkably beautiful. She was dark, with piercing black eyes and wavy hair. In middle life her gravity of countenance and of deportment was considered quite extraordinary in that age of gayety. One of her contemporaries said that she did not smile once a year, and yet she was not gloomy, but only of a sedate habit of mind.

A Definition.

"Pa," said Willie, "what is a genius?"

"A genius, my son," said Mr. Knowitall, "is a man who can't collect enough of what the world owes him to pay what he owes to the community in which he lives."—Harper's Weekly.

American French.

Blobbs—How did you get along in Paris? Slobbs—Not very well. Blobbs—Don't you speak French? Slobbs—Only enough to make myself misunderstood.—Philadelphia Record.

Society and Personal

(The Mail is anxious to publish all items of local interest, such as accounts of parties, entertainments or the like in this column and invites its readers to hand in notes of such. Names of those present at various functions will be published to a limited number. Personals are especially desired. More important items will be given under special head.)

Mrs. R. C. Mountsier and Mrs. F. W. Jones are spending the day in Pittsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Warrensford are spending the day in Pittsburg.

Miss Cunningham of Monongahela was a guest Tuesday evening of Miss Bessie Stroud.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cordes have returned from Atlantic City, and the former has left for St. Louis, Mo., on a business trip.

Mrs. S. E. Rodgers this morning received a telegram from her son, Harry Rodgers of Seattle, Wash., announcing the arrival of a son in his family, whose name will be William Knox Rodgers.

C. S. McKean and Frank Arrison have gone to Philadelphia on a business trip.

Editor E. C. Niver of theMail is spending the day in Pittsburg.

Mrs. Philip Pardiny and daughter Clea are visiting in Pittsburg and will witness the "Garden of Allah," at the Nixon theatre.

George Wagner left this week for Coshocton, Urbana and Columbus, Ohio, where he will spend two weeks with relatives and friends.

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AN ORDINANCE.

Authorizing the Borough of Speers, Washington County, Penna., to enter into a contract with the West Penn Electric company a corporation of the State of Pennsylvania, providing for the lighting of the streets, alleys and highway of said borough by electricity.

Be it ordained and enacted by the Borough of Speers, in Council assembled, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same.

Section 1. That the Borough of Speers by its President and Secretary of Council, be and it hereby is authorized and directed to enter into a contract with the West Penn Electric Company providing for the lighting of the streets, alleys and highways of the said borough for a period of five (5) years from the 12th day of November, A. D. 1912.

Section 2. The lights to be contracted for are six 60 c. p. 7 1-2 amperes, series tungsten lamps, or lamps of equivalent illuminating power, and said lamps shall burn from dusk until dawn every night except in the case of unavoidable accidents or causes beyond its control.

Sec. 3. The West Penn Electric Company shall furnish such additional lamps on the streets, alleys and highways of the said Borough as the Borough may from time to time direct, and will cause same to burn as above specified, provided that it shall not be required to install any additional lamps within six (6) months of the expiration of the contract hereby authorized and shall not be required to extend its lines more than 250 feet for each additional lamp so furnished.

Section 4. The rate to be charged for series tungstens lamps which may be added shall be Twenty-Four Dollars ($24.00) per year, payment thereof to be made in equal monthly installments on or before the 15th day of the month next following the month in which service is rendered.

Section 5. The Borough approves the present locations of the lamps [illegible] will pay the cost of changing the location of any of the lamps, the position to which it may order changed, [illegible] changes will necessitate the erection of lines or the erection [illegible]

[illegible] ordinances, or parts of [illegible] inconsistent herewith or in any manner conflicting with this ordinances, inconsistent herewith or

Sec. 7. The cost of the publication and advertising of this ordinance shall be paid by the West Penn Electric company.

Ordained and enacted into an ordinance this twelfth day of November A. D. 1912.

Wm. Steel,
President of Council.

Attest:
James W. Collins.
Secretary.

Examined and approved this 12th day of November, A. D. 1912.

C. L. Walters,
Chief Burgess.

James W. Collins,

Resolutions of Condolence.

Whereas, the angel of death has visited Charleroi Hive and taken from us our beloved sister, Mrs. Jennie Geary, and

Whereas we remember well the loving service, the friendly counsel and the cheering smile of our sister who has passed Beyond and bow in humble submission to the Will of our Heavenly Father,

Resolved, That we the members of Charleroi Hive No. 185 of the Ladies of the Maccabees of the World at our regular meeting held December 2 do hereby tender to the husband and family of our deceased sister our most sincere sympathy.

Resolved, That our charter be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days, these resolutions spread upon the record of our Hive, a copy sent to the bereaved husband and a copy sent to the town paper for publication.

L. May Cottle,
Bertie E. Blanchard,
Anna M. Sullivan,
Committee.

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Packet Service Suspended.

The side packet, I. C. Woodward, operating between Pittsburg and Fairmont, was tied up at the latter town Monday the crew paid off and the Monongahela river suspended indefinitely.

Fancy work articles, hand made, suitable for Christmas presents at the Methodist Bazaar December 5 and 6. 113-t1

GIVE EPIC OF NEGRO

Dixie Chorus Presents an Interesting Program Here

APPEAR IN COSTUME

The first entertainment of the Citizens' Entertainment course was given Tuesday night at the Methodist Episcopal church by the Dixie Chorus and was attended by a good sized crowd. An octet of young colored men, all singers, one a banjo artist, one a pianist and one a reader, the chorus produced well what they termed "The Epic of the Negro."

The first part of the program showed the negro pursuing his primitive habits in the jungle. The members of the chorus were attired in the costume of that early period and had the spars and weapons of warfare which were used then. Part two showed them as slaves, in the cotton field, and in the prayer meeting. As a happy-go-lucky lot, forced to appear satisfied with their condition of servitude, they sang the jovial songs of which the colored man of those days was so fond. One of the features was the prayer meeting, patterned after th old-time darky affair

The third part was intended to be the best musical part of the whole program. The first chorus number was "Comrades in Arms," by Adams. This was the best chorus number by far that was rendered. Opal Cooper sang "Goodbye," a composition of Tosti. With a beautiful tenor voice he sang it well. Edward Goodbar rendered the "Creole Love Song," by Smith, and John Turner a big man with a big deep voice sang the old stand by for bassos, "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep," and as an encore rendered his programmed number "Clang of the Forge" by De Koven. The chorus attempted the rendition of the famous sextet from "Lucia di Lammermoor," and to be frank, found it somewhat above their abilities. George Conley also found the same trouble in his tenor solo, "The Holy City," though he has a naturally rich tenor voice.

One of the most enjoyed features was the banjo playing of Edward Williams. He is perfectly at home with this instrument. Louis Johnson delighted with renderings culled from the works of Paul Lawrence Dunbar, the negro writer and poet. The lecturer, Henry F. Coleman, knew his business. His oration on the race problem, introducing part three was especially deserving of commendation.

The next entertainment is to be given on December 20, when Opie Reed, the humorist-author will appear.

ARE AROUSED BY BARKING OF DOG; HOME IS BURNED

The barking of a faithful house dog aroused the family of Steve Check on Fourteenth street at Monessen this morning, to discover a fire in t heir home and the butcher shop of Andy Check, adjoining. The fire occurred at 2 o'clock. The family had to grope their way out in their night clothes to escape.

The butcher shop, the grocery store of Steve Check and the latter's residence, all one-story frame buildings were destroyed. The loss is said to be about $8,000. It is claimed that near midnight a man was seen about the premises and it is thought perhaps the fire might have been started by him.

Ingratitude.

When Lord B. died a person met an old man who was one of his most intimate friends. He was pale, confused, awe stricken. Every one was trying to console him, but in vain.

"His loss," he exclaimed, "does not affect me so much as his horrible ingratitude. Would you believe it? He died without leaving me anything in his will—I, who have dined with him at his own house three times a week for thirty years!"—Life.

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